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VERIFIED STATEMENT CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS  
BY SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN

I hereby declare that I am official empowered to act on behalf of  
the small business concern identified below:

Name of Concern: Biocoat Incorporated

Address of Concern: 455 Pennsylvania Avenue, Suite 120  
Fort Washington, Pennsylvania 19034

I hereby declare that the above-identified small business concern  
qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 13 CFR 121.3-18, and  
reproduced in 37 CFR 1.9(d), for purposes of paying reduced fees under  
Section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, in that the number  
of employees of the concern, including those of its affiliates, does not  
exceed 500 persons. For purposes of this statement, (1) the number of  
employees of the business concern is the average over the previous fiscal  
year of the concern of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time or  
temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and  
(2) concerns are affiliates of each other when either, directly or indi-  
rectly, one concern controls or has the power to control the other, or a  
third party or parties controls or has the power to control both.

I hereby declare that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with the small business concern identified above with regard to the invention, entitled METHOD OF MAKING FREE ACIDS FROM POLY-SACCHARIDE SALTS, by inventors Ellington M. Beavers, Djoerd Hoekstra, Yee San Su, and Nicole Willard, described in application Serial No. 09/118,730, filed July 17, 1998.

If the rights held by the above-identified small business concern are not exclusive, each individual, concern or organization having rights to the invention is listed below and no rights to the invention are held by any person, other than the inventor, who could not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or by any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).

Name: None

Address:

I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate (37 CFR 1.28(b)).

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.

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DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,

✓ I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled METHOD OF MAKING FREE ACIDS FROM POLYSACCHARIDE SALTS, the specification of which was filed on July 17, 1998 as Application Serial No. 09/118,730.

/ I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified application, including the claims.

/ I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of the United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first

~~paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty~~  
to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

POWER OF ATTORNEY: As a named inventor, I hereby appoint William H. Eilberg, Registration No. 28,009, as my attorney to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. Please send correspondence to William H. Eilberg, Esq., 820 Homestead Road, P.O. Box 7, Jenkintown, Pennsylvania 19046. Please direct telephone calls to 215-885-4600.

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